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HYDROGEN POWERED FUEL CELLS
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DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.131

We, Daryl Chapman, Prem. C. Menon, David Masten and Norman Dill, do hereby declare that:

1. We are the inventors of United States Patent Application Serial No. 10/811,204, titled "Non-Flammable Exhaust Enabler for Hydrogen Powered Fuel Cells," filed March 26, 2004.

2. We conceived of and worked on the invention claimed in the '204 application while we were employees of the General Motors Corporation as engineers.

3. Prior to July 16, 2003, we conceived of the invention claimed in the '204 application and prepared the Invention Disclosures shown in exhibit A that describe the claimed invention.

4. Prior to July 16, 2003, we submitted the invention disclosures shown in exhibit A to the Patent Review Board at General Motors Corporation, where they were approved for filing as a patent application.

5. Prior to July 16, 2003, we were contacted by a patent attorney who prepared the '204 patent application as supported by the correspondences in exhibit B.

6. Prior to July 16, 2003, we received a first draft of the '204 application for our review.


7. Sometime during the remainder of 2003, we reviewed the first draft of the '204 application, passing it between the several inventors, and we also added additional embodiments to the application as shown by the correspondences in exhibit C.

8. A first final draft of the '204 application was finished by the patent attorney sometime in late January of 2004.


9. Sometime in February of 2004 we were presented with the first final draft of the application and the formal papers to be signed, at which time we provided further review of the '204 application as shown by the correspondence of exhibit D.

10. A second final application was then provided by the patent attorney sometime in February of 2004, which was the filed version of the application.

11. I hereby declare that all statements made herein are my own knowledge and are true, and that all statements made upon information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statement were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, under §1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent that may issue thereon.


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